

# ILLINOIS WEATHER & CROPS



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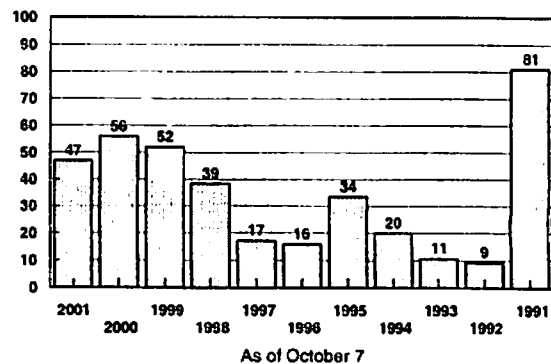
## Agricultural Summary

Rapid gains were made in harvesting soybeans due to dry, warm sunny days this past week until rains fell across the state Thursday and Friday. Corn harvest also progressed but more emphasis was on the soybean crop which is beginning to reach maturity nearly everywhere with the exception of double crop fields in the south. Corn harvest in Southern Illinois reached 86 percent complete last week while only eight percent of the corn crop had been harvested in Northeastern Illinois. Cold weather in far northern Illinois over the weekend has halted further growth of any remaining soybean plants in that area as temperatures dipped to 28 degrees in Stephenson county over the weekend. Rains which fell did delay harvest but were welcomed as they were needed to help replenish topsoil moisture and lessen field fire hazards which were starting to occur. Wheat seeding was taking place as soon as the soybean fields were harvested last week and the rains will help to improve emergence. Rains which fell made for an extremely busy Friday at many FSA offices as farmers were taking advantage of the rain day to file LDP and loan paperwork. Limited amounts of fall tillage were done last week as most farmers were busy harvesting, seeding wheat, picking apples and harvesting pumpkins and squash.

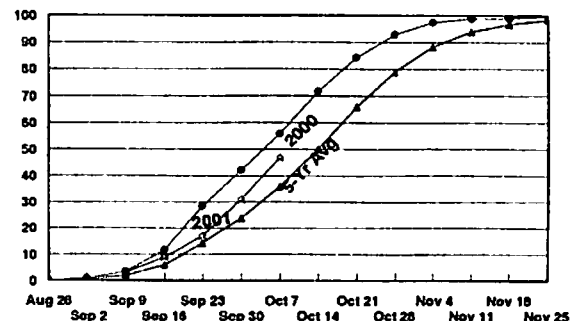
**Crop Progress Table**

Crop Stage	2001	2000	5-Year Average
October 7			
<b>CORN:</b>			
Mature	98	100	93
Harvested	47	56	36
<b>SOYBEANS:</b>			
Shedding leaves	97	96	90
Harvested	52	50	42
<b>SORGHUM:</b>			
Mature	87	91	77
Harvested	53	29	20
<b>WINTER WHEAT:</b>			
Seeded	24	11	16
Emerg'd	4	1	2

**Corn - Percent Harvested  
Illinois**



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### Crop Conditions

Crop	: Very Poor	: Poor	: Fair	: Good	: Excellent
Pasture	: 4	: 14	: 41	: 36	: 5

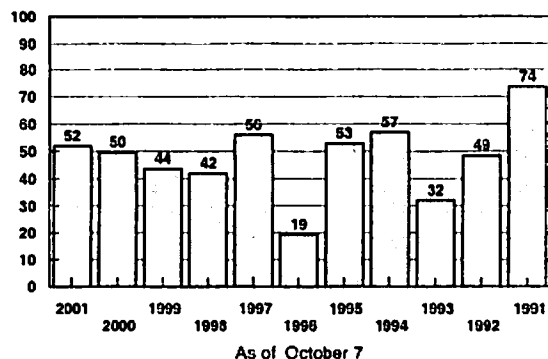
### Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table

District	: Days Suitable for Fieldwork	: Very Short	: Short	: Adequate	: Surplus
	Sept. 29 - Oct. 5		October 5		
Northwest	5.2	4	1	94	1
Northeast	5.7	-	-	99	1
West	5.5	-	6	92	2
Central	5.4	1	15	83	1
East	5.2	4	8	78	10
W Southwest	6.0	1	23	75	1
E Southeast	6.1	13	28	56	3
Southwest	6.3	8	50	38	4
Southeast	6.4	12	56	32	-
State	5.6	4	16	77	3

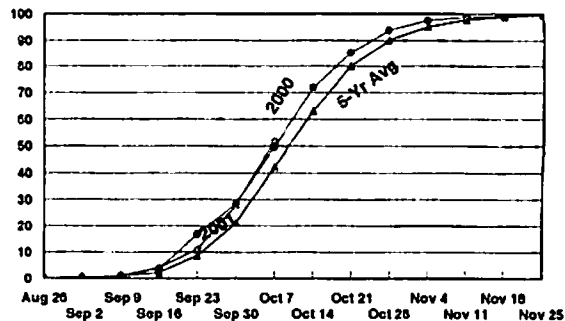
### Crop Progress by Districts

District	: Corn	: Soybeans
	: Mature	: Harvested
	: Harvested	: Shedding leaves
	: Harvested	: Harvested
	October 7	
Northwest	99	20
Northeast	92	8
West	100	40
Central	100	67
East	100	42
W. Southwest	100	69
E. Southeast	99	68
Southwest	98	86
Southeast	100	86

**Soybeans - Percent Harvested**  
Illinois



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# Weather Information Table

Location	Maximum	Temperature Minimum	Departure	Precipitation
October 1 - 7				
<b>Northwest:</b>				
Freeport	83	27	-2	0.00
Kewanee	82	32	-2	1.33
Moline	82	31	-1	1.14
Mount Carroll	83	26	1	0.42
Paw Paw	83	29	-2	1.31
Rochelle	83	27	-3	0.71
Rockford	82	26	-2	0.46
<b>Northeast:</b>				
Aurora	82	24	-3	1.37
Chicago	80	29	-2	1.03
De Kalb	83	28	-2	0.84
Lake Villa	78	28	-2	0.29
McHenry	81	24	-3	0.47
Morris	83	29	-2	1.22
Ottawa	85	33	-3	1.34
Park Forest	81	28	-3	1.74
<b>West:</b>				
Bentley	81	33	-3	1.37
Galesburg	82	32	-3	1.19
Quincy	81	33	-3	1.65
<b>Central:</b>				
Bloomington	83	30	-6	1.08
Decatur	84	32	-3	1.12
Lincoln	84	32	-4	1.43
Peoria	80	31	-3	1.31
<b>East:</b>				
Champaign	83	33	-2	0.64
Pontiac	83	30	-3	1.22
<b>West Southwest:</b>				
Carlinville	83	34	-3	0.98
Morrisonville	84	35	-3	0.90
Springfield	83	32	-3	0.93
<b>East Southeast:</b>				
Brownstown	82	33	-2	0.86
Flora	83	31	-2	0.55
Hutsonville	84	30	-3	0.74
Iuka	84	33	-3	0.84
Lawrenceville	82	32	-3	0.86
Newton	82	32	-3	0.54
Paris	83	34	-2	1.24
Windsor	83	35	-1	1.16
<b>Southwest:</b>				
Carbondale	82	33	-2	0.00
Lebanon	85	35	-3	0.79
Olive Branch	83	35	-4	0.76
<b>Southeast:</b>				
Mt Vernon	81	32	-3	0.48

Data is for the weekly period that ends on Sunday at 8:00 a.m.  
Departure is from the overall average for the week during the 1961-90 period.

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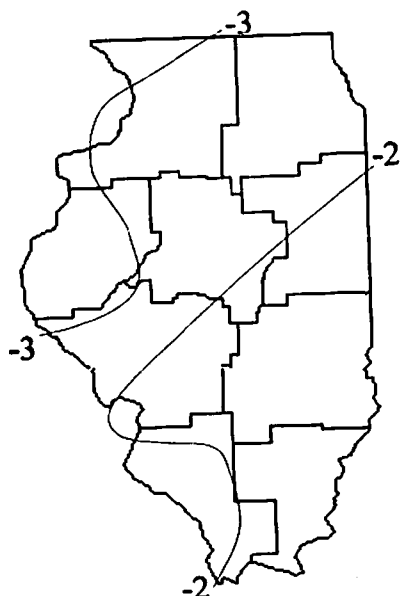
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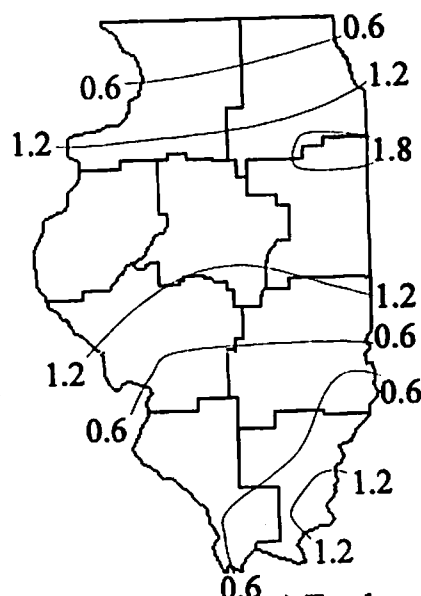
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Temperature (°F) Departure  
October 1 - 7



Precipitation (in.) Total  
October 1 - 7

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